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Wm, & J. H. BA[illegible]ER,
Have for Sal[illegible]

A LARGE Assortment o[illegible] BIBLES with Plates, Maps, [illegible] from 3[illegible] to $ 5 each, elegant bound.

SCHOOL BO[illegible]KS
Of all kinds in use in this [illegible] an Vicinity,

A L S O,

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And a general varie[illegible] of BOOKS & STATI[illegible]ARY.

ACCOUNT-BOO[illegible]S,
A LARGE Assortment of [illegible]COUNT Books, consisting of L[illegible]ers, & Journals, Day Books; Mem[illegible]ndum, Bill, Receipt and Note Books quarto Books, &c.

A L S O,

Letter and Writing Paper [illegible] different qualities; 50 Reams of [illegible]cellent Wrapping Paper, &c. &c.
Navigators, Seamen's Jou[illegible]ls, &c

☞ BLANKS of all kind[illegible] handsomely printed on good pa[illegible], for [illegible] as above.
Newport Nov. 29.

NOTICE.

THE Subscriber, admitte[illegible] an Attorney and Counsellor [illegible] Law, offers his professional service[illegible] to the public, and further informs th[illegible] that he has formed a connexion in [illegible]siness with WILLIAM HUNTER, Esq.
NICHOLAS G. [illegible]S.
Newport, Nov. 8.

C. E. ROBBI[illegible].
[illegible]ttorney at Law, and [illegible]blic Notary,

HAS Removed his Office [illegible] the Room lately occupied by [illegible] S, [illegible], No. 1[illegible], Thames-St[illegible].
Newport, Dec. 20.

[illegible]SEPH H. PATT[illegible],
[illegible]torney and Counsellor at [illegible],

WILL attend to the dutie[illegible] of his vocation, at his Office, fo[illegible]rly [illegible]upied by Benjamin Hazard, E[illegible] in Governor Wanton House.
Newport, Dec. 20.

[illegible]dministrator's No[illegible].

[illegible]HE Subscriber being appointed by the Court of Pro[illegible] for the [illegible]own [illegible] Portsmouth, Adm[illegible] of the [illegible]onal Estate of
THOMAS [illegible],
[illegible] said Portsmouth, [illegible] notice to all persons [illegible] said Estate, to present [illegible] for settlement, and those indebted [illegible] are requested to make [illegible] payment to
[illegible]ENJAMIN [illegible], Adm'r.
Portsmouth, 11th of [illegible] mo. 182[illegible].

CANAL FLOUR.

200 Bbls. Ex[illegible] superfine FLOUR, of the first quality.
30 Barrels Alexandria Superfine Mountain FLOUR [illegible] approved brands—Just received and for sale at the Store south of the Post-Office, by
GEORGE [illegible] MASON.
Newport, Dec 27

FLOUR.

100 Bbls. fresh Alexandria Superfine FLOUR, for Sale by
CHRIS. FOWLER.
Newport, Dec 20.

Live Geese Feathers.

8 Bales Live Geese FEATHERS for Sale by
STEPHEN CAHOONE.
Newport, Dec. 20.

LAND FOR SALE.

THE Subscriber offers for Sale, [illegible] Lot of LAND in Middletown, containing Five Acres and 12 Rods, which is situated on the Green-end Road, and is within a mile of the State-House in Newport.—*Also.* Two Lots of LAND in Newport, on the lane leading by Bull's Distillery;—And his FARM on the Island of Connanicut, which contains about 164 Acres.—The terms may be known by application to RICHARD K. RANDOLPH, Esq in Newport, or to [illegible] subscriber in North-Providence.
DANIEL LYMAN.
North-Providence, Nov. 27.

A FARM FOR SALE,

THE Subscriber offers for Sale, the FARM on Rhode-Island, which was late the Summer residence of Mr. CHARLES BARING. It is beautifully situated on the west side of the Island, about four and an half miles from Newport, and is supplied by its shores with a very considerable quantity of sea manure.—Has on it a large and convenient Dwelling-House, built and finished in the modern style, with proper outhouses; is walled into small enclosures, and has on it within ten steps of the House, a spring of excellent water, which never fails to furnish an excellent supply.—Any one wishing to view the Farm, or know the terms, may apply to RICHARD K. RANDOLPH, Esq in Newport, or to the Subscriber in Providence.
JACOB DUNNELL.
Providence, Dec 18.

TO BE RENTED,
And Possession given on the 25th of March, 1824.

THAT Valuable FARM on the Island of Prudence, (occupied by the late *Daniel Chace,*) containing upwards of 600 Acres of excellent Land, with Two Dwelling-Houses, [illegible] Barns, &c. [illegible] made known by applying at the R. I. Union Bank.
Newport, Dec. 5.

TO LET,
And immediate Possession given,

THAT convenient and pleasantly situated Dwelling-House in Spring-street, near [illegible] Church, and lately occupied by Mrs Johnston.—The House is in good repair, with a large Garden, and has [illegible] for a family.—For [illegible] &c. apply to
JOHN P. MANN.
Newport, Nov. 1.

TO LET,
And possession given the 25th of March

THE FARM on the Island of Conanicut, now [illegible] by Mr George [illegible] containing [illegible] Acres of good land, being the north part of the [illegible] for further particulars apply to
DUDLEY CLARKE.
Newport, Nov. 1.

L[illegible] LETTERS,
[illegible] Post Office, [illegible] 27, 1823.

[illegible]
Barker [illegible]
[illegible]
Brown Samuel
Channing Walter
Callahan Mary
Clark Jesse 2 [illegible]
Clarke Hannah
Clarke Charles F.
Channing Wm.
Clarke David W.
Dunn Rev. Tho s
Dennell Mrs. S
Du Camp Vincent
Evans William
Easton Hannah
[widow of John
Easton John E.
Ellis William
Fowler Capt John
Gibbs & Channing
Gates Capt [illegible]
Green John [illegible]
Gardner [illegible]
[illegible]
Goodwin [illegible] J
Hopkins Wm C
Howard [illegible] M
Hall Wm ([illegible])
Hunt Edward
King David
Knight Templar [No. 4
Knight Caroline L
Laughton Lewis
Layborune Mary
Lawton Robert
Melville Andrew
Marcell Antonio
Metcalf Thomas [illegible]
Mc'Gregory Dr J
[illegible]
Nichols John L
[illegible]
Osgood Capt J B
Pierce Benjamin
Phillips James B
[illegible]
[illegible] Mary Ann
[illegible] G. W.
[illegible] J
[illegible] & Dun[illegible]
[illegible] George
[illegible] John
[illegible] 2d
[illegible]
Vaughan [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Joseph
[illegible] Ruth
[illegible] Daniel C
[illegible]
[illegible] Isaac
Peckham G W
[illegible]
Peckham William
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Robinson Sam. P.
Willis Dr. A. C.

☞ If the above Letters are not immediately taken up, they will be forwarded to the General [illegible].
☞ No article delivered out of the Post-Office on Sundays.

Union Meeting House Lottery.

$ 500
HIGHEST PRIZE.

THIS very popular little [illegible] will commence Drawing in [illegible] House in Newport, on the [illegible] of January, 1824, and be [illegible] thirty days from that day.
The sale of the Tickets [illegible] rapid, that [illegible] than One Hundred in Two [illegible] object is [illegible]. The Drawing will be [illegible] under our own [illegible] of our own, for our [illegible] care of it and draw all the [illegible] ourselves.—Office open [illegible] the evening.—Present price of Tickets, Wholes $3; Halves 1 [illegible] Quarters [illegible] cents; Eighths, 44 Cents.
[illegible] W.
Newport, Dec 27.

West Baptist Society Lottery, 2d class.

Please to take Notice!

THE Drawing of the 2d Class of the West Baptist Society Lottery, will commence Drawing in Providence, on the 1st of January next—Tickets and Parts in a variety of Numbers, for sale by
J C SHAW.
Newport, Dec. 20.

LADIES MAGAZINE.

THE 6th Number of the LADIES MAGAZINE is now ready for distribution, and may be had at the Bookstore of Messrs. Wm. & J. H. Barber, at Mr. [illegible] Pierce's, and at the [illegible] of [illegible] Mumford, [illegible] of those [illegible] subscribers will [illegible] their [illegible] Vinson's, [illegible] street
Newport, Dec 27

AT
Lawton's
112 & 115
THAMES-STREET.

Have Just Received,

ANOTHER Cheap Auction Lot of GOODS, viz—2000 Yards of Callicoes, from 1s to 2s per yard; Linen Diaper for 10 cents per yard.
Broadcloths from 3s9 to $ 10 per yd.
A very cheap Lot of Pelisse Cloths.
A very handsome assortment of Cassimeres
Silk Cord; Daisey Buttons; Frogs
Silk and tabby Velvets
1000 yards Sheetings at 1s per yard
600 do Shirtings, at 14 cents
150 do real super ditto at 1s
Blue India handkerchiefs at 9d
India Checks at 9d; Blankets,
Wide handsome furniture Callicoes for 1s per yard
A general assortment of Flannels from 1[illegible]
An [illegible] lot of Scotch and Tartan Plaids.
Very cheap Bombazette
[illegible]
Cheap Cotton Balls
Bedticking from 1s6 to 2s.

BUTTER.

[illegible]000 wt. of excellent Butter, for families [illegible], will be received on Tuesday next, and for sale as above.
Newport, Dec. 6

New Goods.

JAMES MUMFORD,
No. 88, Thames-Street.

HAS just received a variety of NEW GOODS, the greater part bought at Auction, among which are;—Black blue, mixt, brown, and drab BROADCLOTHS, very cheap; blue, black and sage colored Cassimeres; Sattinetts; Devonshire Kerseys; red, white, black, yellow and green Flannels, some at 25 cents; black and colored Bombazette; Black Italian Crape; Cambrics; gentlemen's buck and beaver gloves; ladies beaver and [illegible] ditto; gentlemen & ladies black [illegible]; Russia Diaper for [illegible]; Cassimere [illegible], handsome [illegible]; black levantine silk; [illegible] Ribbons; Velvets of different colors; Callicoes and copper plates; Bandanno, flag and silk [illegible] Bedticking; Fear[illegible] Shirting; Pins, &c. [illegible] Assortment of Domestic [illegible] and Shirtings, [illegible] will be sold as low as [illegible] State.
Newport, Dec 13.

FOR SALE,

THE Sloop SALLY, burthen about 67 Tons [illegible] laying at the Long-Wharf; she is of an easy draft of water, 4 years old, is in good order, very [illegible], and may be sent to sea at a small expence.—For further particulars and terms, apply to
J. WILLIAMS & SON,
Long-Wharf.
[illegible] have for Sale, just landed from said sloop,
[illegible]00 Bushels Coarse SALT, [illegible] good quality.

[illegible] Sperm Oil, at 45cts.

THE Subscribers [illegible] for Sale, at [illegible] the first quality of [illegible] Sperm OIL, at 45 cents [illegible] quantity [illegible].
S. POTTER.
N. RUGGLES.
Newport, Oct. 5.

New Goods

Cheap Broadcloths and Cassimeres,

JOHN [illegible] MASON,
No. 68, Thames-Street,

HAS just received from Boston, the following NEW GOODS, which he will sell at very reduced prices for Cash, viz;—
Broadcloths and Cassimeres, of various prices;
Superb Vestings; common ditto
Drab Kerseys of the first quality—Common ditto
Red, white and green Flannels, very cheap; mixt Sattinetts
Beaver and dogs skin Gloves of the first quality; Tartan Plaids
Cotton Shirtings; Suspenders
Black silk Hndk'fs; common ditto
Flag, check silk, fancy and common Handkerchiefs; silk, twist, threads, buttons of all kinds, &c
ALSO, A complete assortment of ready-made CLOTHING and a general assortment of Moss MATROSSES.
Newport, Dec. 6.

Cheap Blue Broadcloths

ROBERT P. LEE
Has Just Received,

A FEW Pieces of BLUE CLOTHS suitable for Overcoats, which he is selling off very Cheap, together with a great variety of other New and Seasonable GOODS.

A L S O,

Just received from one of the first Factories in the State, a full supply of superior White and Coloured KNITTING COTTON, 2 and 3-threaded from No 6 to 40.
Newport, Nov. 1.

S. & G. BOWEN
Have for Sale, at their Store on Stevens' Wharf,

6000 Gallons Whale OIL,
30 Hhds. first quality Molasses
1[illegible] Barrels Boston Beef
100 boxes Tallow Candles
150 do. Sperm Do.
150 bbls. Wilmington Tar
50 do. Rosin
150 M. Cedar Shingles
20 casks Rice; 300 wt. old copper
Bar Iron, Anchors, Duck & Cordage,
With a general Assortment of
Ship-Chandlery & Groceries
Newport, June 21.

FOR SALE, or TO LET,

THE Estate on Thames Street, formerly the residence of Gov. *Wanton*—being divided by entries through the middle, and having two front entrances, and seperate kitchens and cellars, it would accommodate two separate families with 7 or 8 convenient rooms each, besides 4 plastered rooms in the garret—It has a good Garden, and the lot extends to the Harbor. The House has lately been thoroughly repaired, and is perfectly sound—[illegible] may be purchased at a low price, and payment may be made in 5 or more (if required) yearly installments; security upon the Estate would be accepted for all except the first payment.—The same House is offered to be Let.
S. HAZARD.
Newport, Oct 11.

FOR SALE.

THE W[illegible] FARM so called, situated in Middletown containing One Hundred Acres of most excellent Land—said Farm is holden by a Lease from Yale College, given originally for 999 Years, the unexpired term of which is 9[illegible] Years, subject to an Annual Payment to said College of 140 Dollars;—The lease-hold interest in said Farm has been assigned to the Subscribers, by [illegible] W[illegible], for the benefit of his Creditors, and will be sold [illegible] at Public Auction, on the 20th of March next.
DUTEE J. PEARCE, } *Assignees*
JAMES SHAW. }
Newport, Sept. 13, 1823

Congress.

IN SENATE, Dec. 22, 1823.

MR. LOWRIE presented the memorial of sundry Insurance Companies and Merchants of the City of Philadelphia, praying compensation for property captured by the French, from 1793 to 1815.—Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Smith offered the following resolution, which was read, and laid over for consideration;

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to lay before the Senate a statement shewing the exact amount which will be due and payable to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, on the 1st day of January, 1825.

On motion of Mr. Benton, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Executive business; and immediately thereafter. Adjourned.

Tuesday, Dec. 23.

The resolution, offered by Mr. Smith directing the Secretary of the Treasury to lay before the Senate a statement, showing the exact amount which will be due, and payable to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, on the 1st day of January, 1825, was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Smith observed, his object in submitting the resolution was, to know what sum the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund would have a right to demand on the 1st January, 1825. He mentioned that day because, then, a part of the public debt would become payable; and as the President had stated, there would be nine millions in the Treasury on that day, it was important to ascertain how much of this amount would have to be applied to that purpose.

The Senate then resumed the consideration of executive business, after which, it adjourned.

Wednesday Dec. 24.

Mr. Smith introduced a bill to revive and continue in force sundry acts relative to discriminating duties on imports and tonnage;

Mr. Van Beuren gave notice, that on Monday next, he should ask leave to introduce a joint resolution, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the U. S. in relation to the election of President and Vice-President.

After transacting some private business, the Senate adjourned to Friday.

Friday, Dec. 26.

Mr. Smith, from the Committee of Finance, to whom was referred the bill to revive and continue in force certain acts relative to the collection of duties on imports and tonnage, reported a new bill on the subject.

A resolution was offered, directing the committee on Public Lands to inquire into the expediency of selling the lead mines and salines of the U. S.

Mr. Mills gave notice that, on Monday next, he should ask leave to introduce a joint resolution, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, in relation to the election of President and Vice-President.

The Senate then adjourned to Monday next.

House of Representatives.

Monday, Dec. 22.

Amendment of the Constitution.

Mr. M'Duffie, from the select committee on his resolution to amend the Constitution, reported two joint resolutions, which were read twice, and ordered to be printed.

The first resolution proposes an amendment to the Constitution, on the subject of the election of President and Vice-President.—The second resolution proposes an amendment as regards the election of Representatives to Congress.

Mr. Breck offered a resolution calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for the amount of exports and imports to and from Greece, Asia Minor and Egypt, from 1820 to 1822.—The resolution was laid on the table.

The House then went into the consideration of private petitions, on some of which was considerable debate—after which the House adjourned,

Tuesday. Dec 23.

The resolution offered yesterday by Mr. Breck, calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for information as to the amount of our trade with Greece, &c. was taken up, and after considerable discussion, was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Mallary submitted the following resolution;—

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to lay before this House such information as he may possess, (and which may be disclosed without injury to the public good) relative to the determination of any sovereign or sovereigns to assist Spain in the subjugation of her late colonies on the American continent, and whether any government of Europe is disposed or determined to oppose any aid or assistance which such sovereign or combination of sovereigns may afford to Spain for the subjugation of her late colonies above mentioned.

After transacting some private business, the House adjourned.

Wednesday, Dec. 24.

A Resolution yesterday offered by Mr. Mallary, calling on the President for any information, he may possess, (and which may be disclosed without injury to the public good,) relative to the determination of any sovereign or Sovereigns to aid Spain in regaining her American Colonies; and the disposition of any other European Government to oppose it, was adopted.

In advocating this resolution, Mr. Mallary said, the President's Message prepared the House for subjects of great importance; nay, the President went so far as to say that "there never was a period, since the revolution, when, regarding the condition of the civilized world and its bearing on us, there was greater necessity for devotion in the public servants, to their respective duties, or for virtue patriotism, and union in our constituents." When we come to examine the body of the Message, said he, we discover nothing to which this language can apply, except the situation of the great European Powers, and the bearing which that situation may have upon this country. Those powers had united their efforts against the cause of freedom on the Continent of Europe, and had undoubtedly put down every struggle to maintain it. It was possible they might extend their plans across the Atlantic, and that their attention would next be directed to the Republics of South America. Such appeared to be the impression of the President; and if such were actually the state of things, the U. States must probably become deeply involved in the event of such a contest. It was impossible we could be indifferent to the attempts of despotic power to crush the cause of freedom in our own hemisphere. That some plans of this sort were in agitation, was plain, from the tenor of the Message. The President would not have warned the two houses of Congress that all their firmness would be called for, if there were not something of serious moment in the political horizon, not seen by all. And as, in this public document the Chief Magistrate had thought proper to go so far, it was certainly proper in the house to meet his communication by requesting such information, on the subject to which he had alluded, as he might deem it consistent with the public welfare to disclose. It was proper and desirable that we should know as much as possible of the dangers to which we are exposed.

Naval Pensions.

The bill to continue for five years longer the halfpay pensions to the widows and children of officers, seamen and marines, of the Navy, who have died in service, passed through a committee of the whole and the question being about to be stated on ordering it to a third reading—Mr. Cobb, and Mr. Livermore, made some objections to its passage, on the ground that the fund was insufficient to meet the claims, which would continue to increase.

Mr. Cambreleng, in replying to the gentleman from N. H. took occasion to notice the origin and character of this fund. In 1800, Congress, varying from the British rule of granting the whole of the prize money to the captors, appropriated one *half* of the proceeds of all prizes of inferior force to create a Navy Pension Fund for the support of invalids. During our late war, after the fall of some of our most gallant officers and seamen, a question arose, whether, in strict justice, their widows and orphans should not be provided for out of that fund which a share of their prize money had contributed to create. Congress by the acts of 1813 and '14, granted pensions to them, and the pension roll now embraces invalids, widows, and orphans.

Mr. Cobb replied, that the explanation given by the gentlemen from New-York was entirely satisfactory.—He was happy to understand the nature and the flourishing situation of the fund, and he hoped that Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Perry, and others, whose names had been mentioned, would be provided for.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to Friday.

Friday, Dec 26.

Mr. Sloane, from the Committee on Elections, made a report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Norfolk County, in Massachusetts, remonstrating against the election of John Bailey, a member of this house, on account of his having not been, at the time of his election, an inhabitant of the District or State in which he was elected—but a resident of the City of Washington; and asking for power to send for testimony; which leave was granted, nem. con.

On motion of Mr. Wayne, it was.

Resolved, That the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions be instructed to inquire into the expediency of fixing, by law, the net amount of annual income, which shall disqualify any applicant from being placed on the pension list, under the acts of March 18th, 1818, and May 1st, 1820.

The engrossed bill, extending the half pay pension of officers, widows, &c. was read a third time, passed, and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The engrossed bill for the relief of Jacob Schaeffer, was then read a third time

Mr. Taylor, moved that it be recommitted to the Committee on Private Land Claims, with instructions "to inquire into the expediency of so amending the same, as to provide for the allowance of bounty land to the non-commissioned officers and privates of the United States' Army, and to their representatives, who enlisted for five years or during the war, and were honorably discharged previous to the expiration of the respective terms of their enlistment."

The case of this claimant may be stated as follows; He enlisted as a private in the Army of the United States for five years; but, after serving some eighteen months, he was discharged, the war being over, and he being anxious to rejoin his family, on condition of relinquishing his claim to bounty land. He now asks for the passage of a law to give him his bounty land.

On the principles of this bill a debate arose, in which considerable eloquence and ingenuity were displayed, which occupied the whole of the day

The motion of Mr. Taylor, was negatived by a large majority.

After further debate, the question was at length taken on the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays having been required by Mr. Taylor, of N. York, and decided as follows;—Yeas, 70, Nays, 85.

And then the House adjourned to Monday.

BY THE MAILS,

VIRGINIA.

NORFOLK, DEC. 15.

Com. Porter's Squadron

THE U. S. ship John Adams, Capt. Dallas and sch'rs Shark and Fox, have dropped down the bite of Craney Island, and will sail in a few days.

NEW-YORK,

NEW-YORK, DEC 31.

FROM HAVANA.

The brig Packet, at this port, left Havana on the 13th inst. Capt. Doughty informs that a French frigate arrived off the port on the 9th, with instructions for re-establishing the Royal Government. On the 10th, she entered the port, firing a salute, which was answered by the shipping and forts. On the same day, the King was proclaimed in the Cathedral, in presence of the Governor and all the principal officers of Havana, who were escorted by a part of the Catalonia, Tarragona, and Malaga regiments of foot.—Salutes were repeated from all the Forts, the town illuminated, &c. The old regulations went into immediate operation. No smiles were to be seen from the friends of the Constitution. A double guard was placed in the city, and all the taverns and coffee-houses were ordered to be closed at 8 o'clock.

The frigate which brought the above intelligence, was the Eurydice. The frigate which was stated to have sailed from Cadiz with a new Governor for Cuba, was called the Tonnate.

Capt. D. has favored us with Havana papers to the 13th inst.

HAVANA, Dec. 10th, 1823

Don Francisco Dionisio Vives, &c. &c. makes known to all the inhabitants of the Island of Cuba, that he has this moment received the Royal Decrees of his Majesty, of the 3d and 20th of October, which follow;

"Restored to the plenitude of my sovereign rights, I annul every thing that has been done in virtue of the system called Constitutional, and order the Captain General and Commandant of the Island of Cuba, to obey, guarantee and fulfil by all the military and naval forces under his command, this my Royal determination. This I expect from his fidelity, and that it be done in conformity with my Royal decree of the 3d inst.

"In the Palace of Seville, Oct. 20, 1823.

FERDINAND.

Countersigned by Victor Saez

The decree of Oct. 3d, tells us, "The King is restored by Divine Providence to the Sovereign rights of his ancestors, &c. and released from the bitter captivity he has suffered; that the first care of his paternal heart has been to destroy the odious system introduced by a few base and insubordinate persons of the army unworthy of the confidence that had been reposed in them. Such base institutions deserve only to be supported by the malevolent individuals who endeavored to defend them. The weak efforts and atrocious crimes with which they attempted scandalously to imprison my Royal person and family, were not, thanks to Divine Providence, sufficient against the generous aid of my august cousin the King of France, the other sovereigns of Europe, and the unanimous, firm and spontaneous voice of my beloved subjects, who raised *en masse* to restore the ancient and wholesome laws which characterized in my ancestors for many centuries, the Spanish name, power and greatness. In re-establishing them in my dominions, my Royal heart will not rest in quietude, until certain troubles in them are allayed and all in the immense Colonies given by Providence to my glorious arms are made to partake in their benefits.

"A portion of these vast and rich possessions, still a prey to the horrors of a civil and disastrous war through the treason of the powerful, expressly destined to pacify them, will be restored to peace and tranquility, it is hoped, and returned to the bosom of a just and paternal government anxious for its interest. Whilst I am considering on the energetic measures required for this object, it is resolved that my Royal and legitimate authority be immediately re-established in all the Ultra Marine Dominions on the same form and condition and with the same prerogatives as previous to the fatal 9th of March 1820, when I was by violence, deprived of my liberty with my Royal family."

Gov Vives proceeds—"the King then, is re-established in his sovereign rights and in the plenitude inherited from his august ancestors. The genius of the revolution and of discord sowing extravagant and impracticable principles, had succeeded in overturning the established order of so many ages of glory for the nation; the ambition of a few demagogues (*cocfuos*) and the dogmas of the new sects though full of absurd inconsistences, seduced many of the unwary who could not penetrate their sanguinary projects and pernicious maxims. The felicity which this Island has always enjoyed, and the predilection which his Majesty has always shewn to your petitions, &c. are considerations, which impose on us the necessity of being faithful to our Sovereign, and of respecting and obeying his benificent resolution.

[The remainder of the proclamation denounces "liberal principles licentious books, pamphlets, &c." and exhorts the inhabitants to behave like good vassals and merit the love of their master.]

MASSACHUSETTS.

BOST N. DEC 31.

Latest from Rio Janeiro.

Capt. Girdler, of the brig Dove, who arrived here last evening, from Rio Janeiro, states, that Lord Cochrane arrived there on the 10th Nov. from Maranham. The Cortes were in session on the 11th and all the succeeding night, engaged in an interesting debate on the liberty of the press and of the conscience. The Emperor ordered out his troops, surrounded the Chamber of the Cortes and after dissolving that body, seized Seignior Beneficio, the prime minister, and four of the deputies, and sent them to prison.

Latest from France.

Paris papers to the 14th of Nov. have been received at Baltimore

Carthagena surrendered to Gen. Bonnemain on the 3d of Nov and the forts of Urgel submitted to Baron Hurel.

Gen. Bourmont is appointed Commander in Chief of the French armies in Spain, and Lt. Gen. Poitrach Latour succeeds Bourmont in the command of Cadiz.

The Governor of Barcelona, Rotten, had proceeded to Switzerland, his native country.

Gen. Mina was to embark for Gibraltar, as it was said, to proceed to England and not to France, as previously announced.

The Duke of Reggio was momently expected in Paris, to resume the command of the National Guards

The Journal of Bordeaux states that the King of Spain having declined his intended journey to Toledo, was expected to arrive at Madrid with the Royal Family on the 13th of Nov

A part of the fourth corps of the French army entered Hostalrich and Tarragona on the fourth of November.

Letters from Bayonne say that there had been a tumult at Saragossa, and that it had become necessary to fire on the people, who had attempted to enter the prison where the ex-minister San Miguel was confined, for the purpose of putting him to death.

The Austrian Minister at Lisbon, has been charged to transmit to the Emperor of Brazil, a letter from his father-in-law the Emperor of Austria urging him to acknowledge the *authority of Portugal!*

It is believed that the declaration of the *Northern* Courts, relating to the *non acknowledgement* of the Independence of the *ci devant* Spanish and Portuguese colonies, will speedily be published.

Since the commencement of the Spanish affair, the number of French vessels of war has been increased from ninety to one hundred and fifty, and the marines from 2,000 to 19,000.

The Austrian Observer announces that the Porte had recalled the ancient drogoman, who had been in exile for two years. This recall had caused much excitement and would have great influence on the politics of the Porte.

Federal Gazette.

From Cadiz.

Capt. Le Craw, arrived at Marblehead from Cadiz (sailed Nov. 11.) informs that the frigate Constitution, and schr. Nonsuch, sailed for Gibraltar same day—that the French ships did not appear to have any intention of leaving Cadiz very soon, many of them having hauled into the Caraccas to repair.

Slander.—In Essex county, a person whose property was estimated at $1,000 was required to pay $350 damages for slandering one of his neighbors.

THE MERCURY.

Newport,

Saturday, Jan. 3, 1824.

NEW YEAR.

At the commencement of the New-Year the compliments of the Season are cordially tendered to the Patrons of the MERCURY.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Of this State, will convene at Providence on Monday, the 12th inst. agreeably to adjournment.

STATE ELECTION.

A Convention of republican Delegates is notified to be held at Providence on Wednesday, the 14th inst. for the purpose of forming a Prox of General Officers for the ensuing year. It is said, that the present Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, will decline being candidates for a re-election.

LATEST FROM ENGLAND.

The Packet ship Orbit, Capt Tinkham, arrived at New-York on Wednesday from Liverpool, has brought London papers to the 14th of Nov.

The papers contain no intelligence of importance.—The subject which appears to engage the whole attention of the politicians, relate to the views of the Allied Powers against South-America.

The Duke d'Angouleme left Madrid Nov. [illegible], for Paris.

FROM WASHINGTON.

A letter from Washington, dated on Saturday last, says,—"A grand military Ball is to be given to Gen. Jackson, at Mr. Adams', on the 8th of January.—So many tickets are issued, that the house will not hold the guests, and canvass tents are to be added to the rear.'

Presidential Nomination.

On the 12th ult. a resolution passed the House of Representatives of Georgia, by a vote of about two to one, declaring their preference of MR CRAWFORD for the Presidency, but expressing at the same time a willingness to give up the man of their choice for any other candidate who should be selected as preferable by the republican party generally.

A letter from Washington, to the editors of the N. Y. Commercial Advertiser, dated Dec. 24th, says—"We are still barren of news.—There is, at present, quite a calm upon the subject of a Caucus.—The Maryland resolutions have operated as a damper, as have also those of Georgia. The prospect of a Caucus, from all I can gather, seems to grow fainter.'

MINISTER TO FRANCE.

Mr. Brown, Minister to France, has arrived at New-York, and will embark on board the Cygnne, Capt. Creighton, which it is said will proceed immediately to Havre.

Madame Beamarchais, daughter of the late Baron Beaumarchais, is at Washington, for the purpose of making a personal appeal to our government in relation to the claim of her father.

THE REVENUE.

From the statement of the Register of the Treasury, it appears that the whole amount of money received during the year ending Sept. 30th, 1823, for duties on imports and tonnage, amounted to $23,932,114 24—the tonnage duties were only 123,103 67.—Of the sum total, New-York paid 9,958,119 01; Philadelphia paid 3,594,824 43; Boston 4,587,720 10; Baltimore, 1,856,147 69:

A letter from Lisbon dated Nov. 21st, states that vessels continue to arrive from Sardinia, Marseilles, and almost every port in the Mediterranean, as well as the North of Europe, laden with wheat. Eighty sail of vessels with that article, were then lying in port, without any prospect of the port being opened for their cargoes. Petitions to land the cargoes in bond, had been made, but not then granted.

A COMET!

The Connecticut Mirror contains the following notice of the Comet which has lately appeared:—

A comet was observed this morning in the Shoulder of Serpentarius; in a line between A and K of that Constellation, and very near to the latter. The nucleus is well defined, appearing like a star of the fifth magnitude. The tail extends faintly through 6 degrees and points as nearly from the Sun.—It is visible between 3 and 6 o'clock in the morning.

Yale College, Dec 30.

Spanish Colonies:

A Decree, by the King of Spain, dated at Xeres October 3d, after denouncing the authors of his bitter captivity, and making his acknowledgments to his august cousin of France, for his deliverance, says. "In re-establishing the ancient and wholesome laws [here in force prior to March 9, 1820] in my dominions, my royal heart will not rest in quietude till certain troubles in them are allayed, and all the immense Colonies given, by Providence, to my glorious arms, are made to partake of the benefits of those laws."

CONGRESS.

In a short debate on a resolution offered by Mr. Breck, of Pennsylvania calling for information as to the extent of our trade with Turkey, Mr. Webster remarked, that he disclaimed any contemplation of hostilities with the Porte in the resolution he had offered on the subject of a mission to Greece, and was unwilling that it should be so understood by any one, or that such an impression should go abroad.

COMMERCIAL.

New-Orleans papers of the 12th ult. mo. contain accounts of numerous arrivals at that port. The Mississippi was on the rise, and the produce of the interiour had begun to descend in great abundance. Freights, however, continued dull, and considerable uneasiness prevailed in consequence of some very unfavourable reports respecting the markets, recently received from Liverpool and New-York.

John Russell, Esq. who has for many years served the public in the capacity of an Editor of a Newspaper, has withdrawn from the editorship of the Boston Gazette. That paper is hereafter to be published by Mr. Gardner, the late partner of Mr. Russel, and to be edited by Samuel L. Knapp. Esq a gentleman already advantageously known to the publick.

Piracy.—The brig William [illegible], [M]eister, of Baltimore, arrived at New-York from St. Domingo, was boarded in sight of Porto Rico, by a piratical boat, under Spanish colors, and carried to the island of La Mona. After anchoring they landed all the passengers, men, women and children, with the crew, searching them for money as they landed. After this they commenced their depredations on the vessel, breaking open trunks, and plundering the cargo, &c. and beat the crew.—After the pirates had possession of the vessel two days, they released her, detaining Mr. F. Brenan on shore. The vessel was left a complete wreck. These pirates were only part of an immense gang who had established themselves on the above island, and were well supplied in provisions, arms and ammunition.

The crew of a privateer brig [illegible] pio are stated in a letter from St. Thomas of the 18th ult. to have seized Porto Rico, and after doubling the complement of men, to have commenced piracy in the Mona Passage, by plundering two or three Havana vessels. The privateer brig Vencedor arrived at La Guira with a prize of some value. She captured also off [illegible] a Spanish merchant ship of [illegible] guns 45 men, which was momentarily expected.

Blessing of Slavery.—A letter from Richmond, Dec. 24th, to the editors of the Baltimore American, states that a number of negroes had been [illegible] four. into that city for some days past and information given as inducement to believe that they "*contemplated during the holidays a general massacre of the whites*"— the military were all ordered to rendezvous, some immediately to the depots of arms in the city—others to hold themselves in readiness at a moment's warning, to repair to the quarters of the public guard, on the firing of the *alarm guns*, to perform whatever duty, when necessary, a detachment of Capt. Rutherford's artillery company to occupy the capitol, or a convenient spot, adjacent.

The writer himself apprehends no mischief; and states that it is customary for large numbers of negroes to be in Richmond during the holidays.

The House of Delegates of Maryland, have adopted the resolutions of the General Assembly of that state, 51 votes to 23, denouncing a Caucus nomination of a candidate for the Presidency.

The Senate have consented to the ratification of the Treaty with the Florida Indians, concluded at Camp Moultrie.

Forty Poetical addresses have been presented to the Managers of the New-Orleans Theatre, for the Premium offered. They are mostly from the Northern States.—Thirty-one Addresses have been presented for the Prize offered by the Managers of the Boston Theatre.

Office Hunting.—It is said that there are upwards of 300 applicants for the office of Flour Inspector for the city of Philadelphia.

Items of News.

The ninth Presidential term will expire on the third of March, 1825—so there is yet a good space of time for the praise and abuse of the different candidates, by those enlisted for the purpose

The New-York Chamber of Commerce, by Memorial to Congress, recommend a general Bankrupt law.

Among the bills reported in the Kentucky Legislature, during its present session, is one for the benefit of Matthew Harper—"a cripple, with *twenty* children."

The Circuit Court for the County of Washington, District of Columbia, has ordered, on the recommendation of the Grand Jury, that the bounds of the prison be henceforth extended to the whole county.

Great Freshet.

On Thursday and Friday last, the water in Connecticut River rose about 16 feet. Vast quantities of ice, with drift wood and rubbish has been floated down. Much damage must have happened on the streams which flow into the Connecticut, though we have heard of but one instance, viz. a serious injury that happened to a Manufactory at Manchester on the Hockinum river. The great rise of water is owing, in part, to the heavy rains—but principally to the stopping of the ice, four miles below this city.—*Hart. Mir.*

Damage by the late Freshet.

In Wareham, the Dam at the Stone Factory belonging to Messrs. Tobey & Fearing, and another belonging to the same gentlemen on which their carding machine and grist-mill stand, were almost entirely carried away by the rising of the water. The Dam at the rolling and slitting mill of Mr. B. Murdock, in Rochester was considerably broken.—The Dams at the mills of Mr. Stevens and Mr. Rider, in Rochester were also considerably damaged. Several small bridges were carried away, and most of the dams upon all the streams in this vicinity of any magnitude, considerably injured.

New-Bedford Gazette.

A letter from Malaga, of the 15th of November states, that "The Ambassadors of the august Allies of Ferdinand, will hold a solemn meeting at Aranjuez, to-morrow, to settle the affairs of the Peninsula"

A Congress of Delegates from the different British West-India Islands, has been proposed to be held at Barbadoes, to prepare an energetic Address to the British Parliament, on the subject of the existing situation of the W. India Colonies.

A meeting of the Young Men of Providence is to be held this evening, to appoint a committee to receive donations to promote the cause of the Greeks,

Mr. John Miller, the Proprietor of the Manufacturers Journal, has issued Proposals for publishing in Providence a Daily Paper, to be entitled the Providence Journal—the publication of the semi-weekly Journal to be continued as usual.

MARRIED,

In this town on Thursday evening last, by the Rev. Mr. Gammell, Mr. William H. Douglass to Miss Mary Ann Sherman, daughter of Mr. Elijah Sherman.

At Providence, Mr. Welcome Ide, to Miss Mary Ann Hathaway daughter of the late Mr. Zephaniah Hathaway of this town.

DIED,

In this town on Wednesday last, Mr. David Stevens, aged 47 years.

On Thursday, Mrs. Mary Head, widow of Mr Lovet Head, formerly of Little-Compton, aged 65 years.

Last evening, Mrs. Mary Sanford, widow of Mr. Giles Sanford, aged 81 years,

At Nazareth, (Penn.) on the 10th ult. Mrs. Elizabeth Towle, wife of the Rev. Samuel Towle, late Minister of the Moravian Society in this town, aged 62 years.—She was remarkable for the urbanity of her manners, and gentleness of demeanor towards every class of society—during a residence in this town of 14 years, she ensured and well deserved the esteem of all who knew her not only for the above mentioned qualities, but for her zeal, piety, and prompt and active services to the sick and distressed.

At Georgetown, (S. C.) on the 18th Nov. Mrs. Sarah Vinson Smith, the amiable and pious consort of Mr. William C. Smith, and grand-daughter of Deacon Samuel Vinson, of this Town.—The numerous friends of the deceased, feel that their loss is great; but they have the high consolation of knowing, that she exhibited in life, as well as in the hour of death, the character of the *real Christian*

Faith looks beyond the bounds of time,
When what we now deplore,
Shall rise in full immortal prime,
And bloom, to fade no more.

At Providence on Sunday last, Mrs. Lois Dawley, wife of Mr. Peleg Dawley, aged 37 years.

At New-York on Tuesday last, Mr. William L. Slocum, jun. son of William L. Slocum, Esq. in the 19th year of his age.

In New-Jersey, Thomas Newbold, Esq. late a member of Congress from that state.

Deaths in Newport,

For the Month of December, 1823.

White Males, age 47,	1
" Females, ages 30 & 77,	2
" Children, males ages 1 day, 1 yr.	2
" " females,	NONE.
Colored Males,	NONE.
" Females,	NONE.
" Children,	NONE.
TOTAL.	5

WEEKLY ALMANACK.

1824. January.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	High water.	Moon sets.
3 Saturday,	7 [illegible]	4 [illegible]	9 18	7 0
4 Sunday,	7 [illegible]	4 [illegible]	[illegible] 0	8 1
5 Monday,	7 27	4 33	10 42	9 0
6 Tuesday,	7 [illegible]	4 33	11 22	9 50
7 Wednesday,	7 [illegible]	4 34	aft. 2	11 1
8 Thursday,	7 [illegible]	4 34	0 46	morn.
9 Friday,	7 [illegible]	4 35	1 30	0 5

Moon's First Quarter 9th day, 7h. 51 min. in the Morning.

MARINE LIST.

Port of Newport,

Jan. 3, 1824.

ENTERED,

Brig Ceres, Hedges, Rio Janeiro
Forest, Morgan, St. Jago

CLEARED,

Brig Forest, Morgan, New-London
Ceres, Hedges, New-York
Sloop Ann Maria, Gardner, ditto

Saturday, Dec. 27.

Arrived Brig Ceres, Hedges, 70 days from Rio Janeiro, bound to New-York Vessels left not so late as before reported.

Same day, Brig Forest, Morgan, 35 days from St. Jago, (Mexico) with passengers, bound to New London.—Dec. 24th, passed several bales of cotton, marked *Jesse P. B*—; supposed to be the word *Brown*.—Dec. 29th, off Block Island, spoke schr *Philena*, 6 days from Boston for North-Carolina.

MARINE MEMORANDA.

At New-Orleans, Dec. 12th, Ship George Champlin, [illegible], of this port.

At Matanzas Dec. 17th, Ship Rev. Greene, of this port, loading for Europe—Mary, Dunwell, for do.

At Havana Dec. 7th, Brig Baltic, Eldred, from this port; Hiram for Charleston.

Arrived at Charleston Dec. 16th, brig Panther, Cornell, 8 days from Havana; Angelina, Taggart, do—sailed, Brig Union, Bigley, for St. Domingo.

Arrived at New-York on Saturday, Brig Friendship, Hopkins, 18 days from Havana,

Sailed from Baltimore Dec. 27th, Schooner Laurel, Thatcher, of this port for Gonaives.

Arrived at New-Bedford on Saturday ship Wilmington & Liverpool Packet, Briggs, from the Coast of Japan, with 2600 bbls. sperm oil; being the greatest quantity of sperm oil ever brought into the U. S. at a time, by any one ship.

Goat-Island Light-House,

The Light-House lately erected on Goat-Island, in this Harbor, was lighted on the 1st instant.—Mr. Samuel Watson has been appointed Keeper.

PIANO FORTE

FOR SALE, A good toned second-hand PIANO FORTE.—Apply to Wm. LOVIE.

Newport, Jan, 2, 1824.

N. E. Commercial Bank,

THE Stockholders are notified of their Annual Meeting for the choice of Directors, on Tuesday the 6th day of January 1824, at 11 o'clock A. M.—A Dividend will be declared and paid on Thursday, the 1st day of January next, and every succeeding day during Bank hours, to those who are holders of Stock on the books of said Institution on the 25th instant.

By order of the President & Directors,
W. T. DELLINGHAM, *Cashier.*
Newport, Dec. 13.

FOR SALE,

30 Shares in the WASHINGTON BANK, at Westerly, by

J. C. SHAW.

Newport, Nov. 15.

TO LET,

THE HOUSE next north of Mr. Samuel Vernon's, in Clarke-street [illegible], &c. apply to

SAMUEL VINSON.

R. I. REGISTER.

Wm. & J. H. BARBER,

Have for Sale,

THE RHODE-ISLAND REGISTER, for 1824,—Price 31 Cents.

ALSO.

Almanacks, *FOR* 1824,

ACCOUNT-BOOKS,

A Large Assortment of Account Books, consisting of Ledgers, & Journals, Day Books; Memorandum, Bill, Receipt and Note Books; quarto Books, &c.

Letter and Writing Paper, of different qualities; 20 Reams of excellent Wrapping Paper, &c. &c.

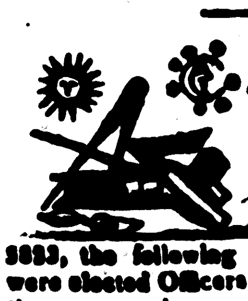
Newport Jan. 2.

Rhode-Island Union Bank

A Semi-annual Dividend will be declared on Thursday, the 1st day of January, 1824, and paid on that and every succeeding day, during Bank hours, (until completed) to the Stockholders whose names shall stand on the books of this Institution on the 26th inst. or to their legal representatives, on which day transfers of Shares cease until the aforesaid first day of January.

By order of the President & Directors,
JOHN L. BOSS, *Cashier.*
Newport, Dec. 18.

St. John's Lodge, No. 1.



AT a Meeting of the Members of St John's Lodge, No 1, Newport, held at their Hall on Saturday Evening, Dec. 27th, A. L. 5823, the following named Members were elected Officers of said Lodge for the year ensuing:—

John L. Boss, *Master.*
Stephen T. Northam, *Senior Warden.*
Theophilus Topham, *Junior Warden.*
Thomas R. Gardiner, *Treasurer.*
Nicholas G. Boss, *Secretary.*
William Stevens, *Senior Deacon.*
Isaac C. Peckham, *Junior Deacon.*
John B. Lyon, *Senior Steward.*
S. Ayrault Robinson, *Junior Steward.*

The Officers elect were duly installed and endowed with the insignia of their Office by the W. Charles Cotton, Deputy Grand-Master of the Grand Lodge of Rhode-Island.

By order of R. W. M. John L. Boss,
NICHOLAS G. BOSS, *Secretary.*
Newport, Dec. 30, 5823.

Newport Shoe Manufactory,

J. W. DAVIS, Jun. & Co,

No. 99, Thames-Street,

Respectfully inform their Friends and the Public,

THAT they still carry on the Manufacturing of Ladies BOOTS & SHOES, of every description, and will sell them as low as can be bought at any other store in Town, of equal quality.—They have on hand, Ladies Boots for $1 50 per pair—*Also* Ladies first quality morocco Walking Shoes; do. leather do; Gentlemen's first quality Boots & Shoes, proportionably cheap.

Ladies and Gentlemen wishing to be fitted from their measures with Boots & Shoes, will please leave them as above, or at No. 100, directly opposite.

J W. D keeps constantly on hand a variety of Leather;—Wax and black grained calf-skins; do. neats leather; Calcutta calf and neats do; horse-skins of a superior quality; black and colored morocco and kid skins; binding and lining skins; boot webbing, cords, tacks, heel ball, and a variety of other articles generally called for in a Shoe store.

Also on hand, Varnish, Day & Martins and box Blacking, of a superior quality.

Newport, Jan. 3, 1824,

Atheneum,

Or, Spirit of the English Magazines

JUST published, The ATHENEUM; *Or, Spirit of the English Magazines*, for Jan. 1, 1824.

☞ Subscriptions for the above interesting Work, are received by the subscriber, the Agent in Newport.

J. C. SHAW.

Jan 2, 1824.

Bank of Rhode-Island,

THE Stockholders are notified, That their Annual Meeting for the choice of Directors, will be holden pursuant to Charter, on Monday the 5th of January next, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the Bank.

Also, That a Dividend for the last six months will be declared and paid at said Bank, on Thursday, the 1st of January next, to those who may appear to be Stockholders on Wednesday the 31st instant.

By Order.
W. MARCHANT, *Cashier.*
Newport, Dec. 11, 1823.

Legal Masonic Election,

THE (*Real & Ancient.*) St John's Lodge No 1, Newport, met at their Lodge Room on the 27th of Dec. 5823, according to law, when the following Brethren were unanimously chosen to the Offices affixed to their respective names. viz:—

Benjamin W. Case, *R. W. Master.*
John A. Collins, *Senior Warden.*
Benjamin Brenton, *Junior Warden.*
Timothy R. Peckham, *Secretary.*
Henry Tew, *Treasurer.*
William Price, *Senior Deacon.*
John T. Newman, *Junior Deacon.*
William Cranston, *Chaplain.*
Samuel Carey, jun. *M. & M. Ceremon.*
Edward E. Taylor, } *Stewards.*
Benjamin Lake, jun. }
Robert Lawton, *Tyler.*

The Lodge was then closed in due and ancient form;—after which they partook of a handsome Entertainment, at which brotherly love and social converse gave the surest pledge of lasting harmony

Newport, Jan. 2. 5824.

LADIES SHOE MANUFACTORY.

Burdick & Hutchins,

No. 124, Thames-Street, in front of the Custom-House,

Inform their Friends and the Public;

THAT in addition to their Manufactory in this Town, they have established one at Lynn, (Mass) from which they are constantly receiving Ladies BOOTS and SHOES, of the following description, and are retailing them at Wholesale prices, viz—Ladies Kid and Morocco Boots; kid, morocco and Denmark Sattin Walking Shoes; do do. Pumps of the newest fashion—together with a large Assortment of Childrens colored Morocco and Kid Boots and Shoes

☞ Merchants in Town or Country; and all others who wish to purchase any of the above, will do well to call, as they are received regularly every week from Lynn, which gives them the superiority over any other sold in Town.

All orders will be executed with neatness, and as much despatch as the business will admit.

Newport, Jan. 2.

☞ THE Meeting for the choice of Directors of the Ocean Insurance Company, will be held at No. 4, Lyon's Wharf, on MONDAY, the 5th of January next, at 3 o'clock precisely.

By Order,
H. RUGGLES, *Sec'ry.*

New-York Pippins.

A Few Barrels of choice New-York PIPPINS, in fine order for Sale by J. C. SHAW.

Newport, Dec 20.

FOR SALE, or TO LET

THAT pleasantly situated and well finished House Broad-street, formerly owned by *David Williams*—For terms, apply to STEPHEN GOULD

Newport, 8th of 10th mo.

NOTICE.

THE Subscribers having been appointed and duly qualified as Executors of the last Will and Testament of

Austis Elizabeth Wald,

late of Newport, Widow, deceased, request all persons having demands against said Estate to present them for settlement, and those indebted to make [illegible]

[illegible] } *Exec'rs.*
[illegible]

Newport, [illegible]

POETRY.

FROM THE LONDON MAGAZINE.

ELEGANT STANZAS,

Written by an Officer, long resident in India, on his return to England.

I CAME, but they had passed away,
The fair in form, the pure in mind,
And like a stricken deer I stray,
Where all are strange and none are kind;
Kind to the worn, the wearied soul,
That pants, that struggles for repose;
O that my steps had reached the goal
Where earthly sighs and sorrows close.

Years have passed o'er me like a dream,
That leaves no trace on memory's page;
I look around me and I seem
Some relic of a former age.
Alone as in a stranger clime,
Where stranger voices mock my ear;
I mark the lagging course of time,
Without a wish,—a hope,—a fear!

Yet I had hopes,—and they have fled;
And I had fears were all too true;
My wishes too!—but they are dead,
And what have I with life to do?
'Tis but to wear a weary load,
I may not, dare not, cast away;
To sigh for one small still abode,
Where I may sleep as sweet as they;

As they, the loveliest of their race,
Whose grassy tombs my sorrows steep;
Whose worth my soul delights to trace,
Whose very loss 'tis sweet to weep;
To weep beneath the silent moon;
With none to chide, to hear, to see;
Life can bestow no dearer boon
On one whom death disdains to free.

I leave the world that knows me not,
To hold communion with the dead;
And fancy consecrates the spot
Where fancy's softest dreams are shed.
I see each shade, all silvery white,
I hear each spirit's melting sigh;
I turn to clasp those forms of light,
And the pale morning chills my eye.

But soon the last dim morn shall rise,
The lamp of life burns feebly now,—
When stranger hands shall close my eyes,
And smooth my cold and dewy brow.
Unknown I liv'd,—so let me die;
Nor stone, nor monumental cross,
Tell where his nameless ashes lie,
Who sigh'd for gold, and found it dross.

MISCELLANY.

"I'LL LEAVE MY CARD."

The present may, with much propriety, be styled the age of heartlessness. Empty ceremony and heartless formality have usurped the place of friendly attentions and social intercourse. Modern politeness is exactly opposed to sincerity. There seems to be a tacit understanding between man and man, woman and woman, to deceive and be deceived; and he who plays off these counterfeit tricks the most adroitly, is the most polished and polite.

Walking the other day with a friend, or with one who makes friendly pretensions—"If you will excuse me a moment," said he, "I will call on Mr. Clericus; he is out of town, I believe; I shall overtake you with a few steps" So saying he took from his pocket a card-case—knocked at the door—made the accustomed inquiry, and handed his card to the servant.—"Cancelled at a lucky moment," said he, when he had overtaken me—I always observe great punctuality in returning the civilities of my friends—"But why," I inquired, "did you call on Mr. C. when you knew he was not at home." "Oh!" exclaimed he, "It answers every purpose of a visit, and is far less trouble; he is vastly tedious; but I was in debt to him on the score of civilities"—This paper currency, I find, is in general circulation; the sterling coin of real friendship has become scarce; now and then we meet with a few antiquated pieces, but they are pretty much out of date.—"Mama," said the Misses Stylishes, "we shall go out this morning, and make calls; the day is fine, and ladies will generally be out; the Misses Oldates are on a journey to the White Hills, Miss Mantrim returns soon from Newburyport, and Miss Primarket is staying in Boston" "You can leave my cards," said the mother, with matronly honesty, "at Mr Homebread's and Mrs Starchcap's if they happen not to be at home, the servant will not notice the *mistake*."

Now I am strongly opposed to all this from moral consideration. The young are instructed in dissimulation and insincerity; servants are taught to reconnoitre at the porch window and prevaricate. The human character is sufficiently bad, it much needs amendment Let the circle of one's friends be small if he chooses; but let it be hearty and genuine with those who profess to be united in the silken bonds of friendship. All this cold ceremony is downright mockery of all that is open, fair and honourable—it is disgraceful to the human character—mere stuff—empty fluff—lighter than the paper that is made the vehicle of their deceit, without its purity.

The widow Tripit flitted by my window—a sprightly knock summoned the servant to the door—"I am not at home this morning, Susan." I am honest and consistent, you see. I will not spare my wife, although I expect a certain lecture if she detects my scribbling—The servant entered with a card.—"I thought, my dear, you were not on the most intimate terms with the widow T. the disclosure of Maria Blad?" "We are not, my dear, (said she) but we lieve our cards," handing me the one just received. "By my ledger," said I, "it blushed." "You are satirical, my dear, it is rose paper," "Very appropriate paper," said I, "it ought to be in more general use [taking up Doctor Chargewell's bill, which I had just paid] with *professional* men, as well as *professional* women."

This card leaving custom conferred to its legitimate use, to obviate the carelessness, or forgetfulness of servants, is certainly very proper and convenient; but when made the instrument of idle ceremony and deceitful profession it is certainly reprehensible, and may be classed with the follies and crimes of the age.

Hypocrisy.—A hypocrite is under perpetual constraint; and what a torment must it be for a man always to appear different from what he really is.

Falsehood—If falsehood, like truth, had but one face only, we should be upon better terms; for we should then take the contrary to what the liar says for certain truth.

CHARTS.

Wm. H. Hathbone,

Has just Received and offers for Sale at his Store, head of Packet Wharf

A NEW CHART, extending fom New-York to Havanna, improved by Government Surveys in 1820 with a general Assortment of Charts of the latest surveys.—Bowditchs Navigators 9th edition; American Coast Pilots 10th edition; Nautical Almanacks for the years 1822 & 1823; Seamen's Daily Assistant—with a complete assortment of Nautical Instuments.—Letter Writing, Log and Wrapping Paper; quills and Ink-Powder

Also, A general Assortment of Hardware, Cutlery, Cordage and Ship Chandlery

Just Received, 30 Casks Cut Nails assorted sizes; 30 M Bricks; 20 dozen Tile

Ætna Insurance Company

Incorporated for the purpose of Insuring against LOSS or DAMAGE by FIRE, with a Capital of $150,000 and the liberty of increasing the sum to the sum of 500,000.

THE Company having recently increased their Capital 50,000 it is now 200,000 Dollars, with a further sum or surplus fund of 20,000 dollars, appropriated exclusively for the purpose of payment of losses The whole of the funds of the Company are in the most secure and best possible situation, and may, within a few days notice, be converted into ready cash The proposals for Insurance of this Company, are believed to be as favorable as the nature of the business will admit It is also thought worthy of consideration; that the business of the Company is confined principally to risks in the country, and therefore necessarily so situated and detached, that the capital is not exposed to a great loss by a sweeping fire

Hartford, (Con.) Sept 2

☞ Application for Insurance may be made in Providence, to STEPHEN TILLINGHAST, who is authorized to issue Policies without the delay attendant on a reference to the Company in Hartford.

Oct. 22, 1823.

Woolen Factory,

THE Subscribers respectully inform their Friends, and the public in general that they have established the Indigo Blue Dyeing, and have employed an experienced workman at colouring and finishing.—Woolen Goods of all descriptions will be finished in the neatest manner and on the most reasonable terms

Wool of all grades carded into rolls in the best manner. They continue to manufacture Wool on shares or by contract as may best suit their employers The following persons will receive and forward any articles intended for the Union Factory viz.—*Edward Stanhope* and *Robert K & Francis Carr*, Newport.—*George Lawton* Tiverton—*Jeremiah Gifford*, Bristol Ferry

The Subscribers return their sincere thanks to their old customers and solicit the continuance of their favors

JOHN BABCOCK
MOSES LAWTON

Portsmouth April 10

BY AUTHORYIT OF THE STATE OF RHODE-ISLAND.

Union Meeting-House Lottery.

SCHEME.

1	Prize of	$ 500	is	$ 500
1	do.	200		200
2	do.	100		200
4	do.	50		200
5	do.	20		100
36	do.	10		360
288	do.	5		1440
337	Prizes		is	$ 3000
1000	Tickets at 3 Dollars each,		is	$ 3000

Prizes subject to a deduction of 15 per cent.—200 Numbers will constitute a day's drawing, and Stationary Prizes determined accordingly.

STATIONARY PRIZES.					*FLOATING Do.*		
First drawn number,	1st day's drawing,			$100	3	Prizes of	$50
Do.	do.	2d	do.	50	5	do	20
Do.	do.	3d	do.	100	36	do.	10
Do	do.	4th	do.	200	288	do.	5
Do.	do.	5th	do.	500			

The Drawing will commence in the State-House at Newport, on the 28th day of January, 1824, and be completed within thirty days.—The highest Prize will be payable in sixty days, and all other prizes in thirty days after the drawing is finished, in Bills generally current in the State—All Tickets not returned to the Managers on the day previous to the drawing, will be considered as sold.—Prizes not demanded within one year after the drawing is closed, will not be paid.

The Managers inform the Public, that with much individual exertion, and considerable cost, a small but decent Meeting House has been erected in the Town of Portsmouth and partly finished; thus far involving themselves and friends in arrears to a considerable amount; and that they are unable without the patronage of the community to complete the work—As this House for Public Worship is intended to be open at all times to Teachers of Reputation, without regard to Sect, they hope that their exertions in accomplishing the object of the Lottery, will meet with merited success.

PELEG ALMY.
STEPHEN B. CORNELL.
SAMUEL CLARKE.
BORDE SLOCUM,
} MANAGERS,

Portsmouth, (R. I) Dec. 18, 1823

☞ TICKETS for Sale by the Managers in Portsmouth, and by J. C. SHAW, in Newport.

NEW GOODS

JOHN B. NEWTON,

Has Just Opened,

AN extensive Assortment of NEW GOODS—Among them, are *1000 yards of those yard wide Sheetings* for 1s per yard; and a large assortment of Sattinetts.

Newport, Dec. 5.

SCHOOL-BOOKS.

WEBSTER's, Alden's and Cummings Spelling-Books; English Reader; Columbian Orator; Murray's Grammar; Walkers Dictionary; Cummings and Morse's Geography and Atlas; Dabolls Arithmetic: Testaments, and every other kind of School-Books usually wanted, by the dozen or single, at very low prices.

ALSO, Blank Account and Record Books—Bowditch's Navigator & Blunts Coast Pilot—Writing and Letter Paper—Watts and Methodist Hymn Books—Church Prayer Books—Bridgewater Collection, 12th edition.

ALMANACKS.

Bickerstaffs Rhode Island, Farmers' and Christian Almanacks, for 1824, by the Groce, Dozen or Single.

PAPER-HANGINGS.

One Thousand Rolls *Paper-Hangings*, for Rooms and Window Curtains with Borders—Two Hundred Rolls *low priced Papers*, at about 25 Cents per Roll.

HATS,

Elegant and Fashionable New-York HATS, and the Boston Hat Factory Hats, *warranted Water Proof, and not to fade in wearing.*—Also Mens and Youths water-proof Cotton and Felt HATS.

Just Received and for Sale at the Book and Hat Store. (and at the lowest possible prices) by

GEORGE WANTON,

Agent to Ezra Hathaway.

☞ Second-hand Books bought and sold as above

Newport, Nov. 22.

Atheneum,

Or, Spirit of the English Magazines

JUST published, The ATHENEUM; *Or, Spirit of the English Magazines*, for Dec, 15, 1823.

☞ Subscriptions for the above interesting Work, are received by the subscriber, the Agent in Newport.

J. C. SHAW.

Dec 19, 1823.

NICHOLAS GEFFROY.

No. 127, Thame-Street,

HAS just bought, and received from New York, a large and extensive Assortment of GOODS consisting of

Cutlery and Hardware.

Britannia Tea-Pots, Cream and sugar Dishes; plated Castors; Tea Trays, shell and horn Combs; brass and plated Candlesticks; brass Andirons shovels and Tongs of the newest patterns; Looking-Glasses and Looking-glass Plates of all sizes; and a variety of other Articles too numerous to mention These Goods having been principally bought at Auction at a very low rate they will be sold at a modcate advance—He also keeps as usual Watches Watch chains chrystals and keys—Also an assortment of Jewelry; Silver table and tea spoons as usual; and give the true value of Old Gold and Silver agreeably to its quality

Flour, Corn, Staves, Tar, &c

500 Bbls. Baltimore Howard Street FLOUR; 4000 Bushels North-Carolina CORN weighing 54 lbs. per bushel; 100000 Pipe Hhd. heading and barrel Staves; 300 bbls. best Murfreesborough Tar; 25 do Rosin; 25 do Pitch; 12 do bright Varnish;—*Likewise* Jamaica Rum and sugar.—All these Articles will be sold at reduced prices

Newport, June 2

FOR SALE,

A FARM lying in Woodstock, (Con.) containing Two Hundred Acres of excellent Land with a new two-story Dwelling-House 30 by 40 feet completely finished and painted; another Dwelling-House suitable for a tenant; two new barns and other out buildings; a cider mill and a good orchard that will make 100 bbls of Cider annually—It is well wooded and watered and will keep 50 head of cattle the year round; it is within fifty rods of a saw and grist mill and clothiers works, and conveniently situated near a Meeting and school-house.—Terms of payment made easy to the purchaser For further particulars enquire of the subscriber living on the premises.

HENRY HOWARD.

Woodstock, (Con.) Oct. 26.

FOR SALE,

THE Estate in Thames-Street formerly the property of *Jonathan Marsh*, deceased—It is an excellent stand for business, and will be sold Cheap—An indisputable title will be given—For further particulars & terms, enquire of *W. R. Staples*, Esq. in Providence, or to the Subscribers.

ABIGAIL MARSH,
SARAH MARSH

Newport, Dec. 13,

HAIR RESTORATIVE,

And Preservative Vegetable Cerate.

THE important discovery of a vegetable substance, capable of restoring and preserving the hair, was accidentally made by an individual, who has neither the capacity nor the disposition to practice deception or fraud—the fullest reliance may be placed on the efficacy and power of the Vegetable Cerate, not only in restoring and preventing the falling off the hair, but in producing the greatest lustre and liveliness of it imaginable; and the public may rest assured that its effects will be early manifested in the course of a short time by the renewal and vigorous growth of the hair, and by effectually preventing its comming out or falling

The Vegetable Cerate tends to stimulate and excite the energies of the capillary vessels, which constitute those organs that secrete the matter forming the hair; these, like many other organs of the animal body, which have been in a state of dormancy or inaction, may be restored to their health, action and perform all those functions assigned them by nature

The proprietor being aware of the numerous specifics palmed on the public and desirous that the present article should not suffer, rests its merits on the effect it has produced on hundreds of persons, both male and female, and find to be the only thing in restoring and preventing the hair from coming off the heads of those who have used it and all that is asked, as it relates to the verity of its effect, is a fair trial

Elderly people, with bald heads, must be assured that by applying a few times of the above Cerate, their hair will be restored with all its youthful beauty and life

To prevent imposition, the sale of the Valuable Cerate will be confined to DR JAMES H HART for the city of New-York only corner of Broadway and Chamber-st three doors from Washington Hall, where it will be sold at $1

A liberal deduction will be made to country dealers.

The proprietor of the above valuable discovery intends appointing Agents through the United States for the sale of it, and also in Europe

DIRECTIONS

The Vegetable Cerate being perfectly innocent, may be plentifully applied night and morning, and rubbed hard into the pores of the head with the fingers without apprehension of danger In addition to its other value, it beautifies the hair and whiskers

If Gentlemen that are bald, after using it for some weeks, will find a substitute of hair growing on the place that was bald; they will continue it for about ten days after its appearance, then they can shave their hair close off when it is affected after that it will receive its natural and vigorous growth

As those who have the misfortune of losing their hair by sickness, the Cerate will restore to them in a very little time a full and beautiful head of hair, as it is the only thing that has ever been discovered in this country, or perhaps in any other. There are certificates left with Dr James H. Hart, corner of Broadway and Chamber street, who will satisfy any person that wishes to call and see them Dr Hart is appointed sole agent for the city of New-York

☞ A few Boxes of this valuable Article, is just received from New-York, and for Sale at the Office of the Newport Mercury.

Newport, Nov. 29,

NOTICE.

Court of Probate, Portsmouth Dec. 8th

WHEREAS application has this day been made for Administration on the Estate of DANIEL CHACE, late of Portsmouth, deceased, and the consideration thereof referred to the 2d Monday in January 1824—Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in said Estate, to appear if they see fit; at a Court of Probate to be holden at the Inn of *Oliver D Greene* in said Portsmouth on said 2d Monday of January next at 2 o'clock P M, and they shall be heard respecting the same.

By order of said Court

RICHARD SHERMAN, jun. *P. Clerk*

NOTICE.

WE the Subscribers having been appointed by the Court of Probate for the town of Charlestown, Commissioners to receive and examine the claims of the creditors against the Estate of

NATHAN CLARK,

late sadd of Charlestown, deceased, represented insolvent, hereby give notice: that six months from the date hereof have been allowed the creditors to exhibit their claims, and that we will attend for the purpose of receiving the same at our respective dwellings during said period

PELEG CROSS,
HOXSEY PERRY,
THOMAS CLARK.
} *Commrs.*

All persons indebted to said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to

ANN CLARK, *Adm'x.*

Charlestown, Dec. 1, 1823.